

Technical Projects Report To the Legislature

December 29, 2006

The Iowa Law Enforcement Academy received \$50,000 for the initial development of a computer laboratory for the basic training and continuing education of Iowa peace officers. The Academy library was rearranged during the summer and early fall 2006 to accommodate the new computer laboratory.

Electrical work began on the project in late October and early November. The computer desks were delivered in December 2006. The remaining electrical work is being completed during December and early January 2007.

Six of the computers arrived in December 2006. These are computers that are higher grade that will be used in advanced computer and law enforcement digital photography training for investigators and prosecuting attorneys. The remaining twelve computers are on order. The teacher area, instructional white board, and projector are ordered and to be delivered in January 2007.

Additional monies have been requested in FY 2008 to complete the project including a server that will allow internet availability for the students while assuring inappropriate sites are not accessible and additional instructor aids. Monies are also requested for computers in each of the officer's dormitory rooms. There are currently two computers in each dormitory room. These have been donated computers to the Academy. The requested new monies will purchase new computers for the officers and begin the planned three-year rotation for dormitory computers.

Respectfully submitted,

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